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Application of:

Loch III, et al.

Application Number:

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GROUP 1600

For:

Novel Arylkyl Amines of Sprofuropyridines

Useful in Therapy

Group Art Unit: 1626

Examiner: Wright, Sonya N.

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Response to Restriction Requirement

Sir:

This is a response to an Office Action dated 03/27/2002 in which the Examiner requires Election/Restriction of the claims of this application. This response is filed within the one-month shortened statutory period for response set in the aforesaid Action.

RESPONSE

Requirement for Restriction:

Applicants hereby elect Group I, Claims 1-24, 42 and 43, without traverse, for examination in this application.

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Requirement for Election of Species:

Applicants hereby elect the species of Example 4, namely R-(-)-5'-(4-pyridylmethyl) aminospiro[1-azabicyclo[2.2.2]octane-3,2'-(3'H)-furo[2,3-b]pyridine], as the basis for a generic concept to be identified by the Examiner.

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AMENDMENT

In the Claims:

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Please CANCEL instant Claims 25 to 50 inclusive, without prejudice.

Applicants expressly reserve the right to prosecute claims to the subject matter of cancelled claims 25-50 inclusive in one or more divisional applications.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that this application be promptly examined on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: April 12002

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